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Guatemala Will Not Support Invasion Of Nicaragua
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Guatemalan Vice President Roberto Carpio told reporters in Caracas, Venezuela Nov. 28 that his government's policy of active neutrality in Central America would not permit support of an invasion of Nicaragua. He said the five nations in the region must seek consensus on a solution to the regional crisis that is mutually beneficial, and produces a long-lasting peace. Carpio stated that his government cannot justify a military solution, and suggested that the constitution of recently formed Central American Parliament could serve as the "cohesive force" toward realizing peace and finding solutions to the region's serious economic problems. The Guatemalan official claimed that unless Central American nations' support is forthcoming, the Contadora initiative will remain on the level of "rhetoric." Such support to Contadora, he said, is given by the Guatemalan government. Carpio spoke with reporters during an official visit to Venezuela. (Basic data from PRENSA LATINA, 11/28/86)

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